

Green Valley SIG Grant Artifacts 2017-18 Year One Artifacts

Green Valley spent grant money in two main areas. We sent three employees to Conscious Discipline conference and pre-school furniture and supplies. A description of why we chose to spend money in these areas and artifacts are attached.

Conscious Discipline Conference

High Poverty schools presents challenges in many areas. Teachers struggle with classroom management which involves setting up procedures and routines as well as dealing with challenging behaviors.

Conscious Discipline (CD) is a research based approach to help with both of these areas as well as helping teachers stay mentally healthy. Therefore, this will also help teacher retention.

Green Valley has a high number of student referrals and new teachers, as well as experienced ones, struggle with challenging students. As more of our staff gets trained in Conscious Discipline, we anticipate our student referrals going down which will increase student on task time with academics. The result should be more learning and higher overall achievement.

The artifacts chosen for this expenditure is a reflection letter from one of the participants and a purchase order of additional books bought to help continue educate and support teachers. We have a teacher planning on conducting a book study on Conscious Discipline to continue this professional development throughout the upcoming year.

Furniture/supplies for Pre-School Room

Early interventions can be a key to help students of poverty. High poverty students have limited access to quality pre-school programs. Our data has shown a majority of students entering kindergarten do not have a good foundation of numbers and letters. With this grant, we were able to fund one pre-school room to help better prepare our students for kindergarten and provide an early intervention. We will have licensed teacher and aide serving this room. Since we didn't have a pre-school room before, furniture and materials/supplies were needed to set up a successful program as well as a teacher. Curriculum is also being ordered but has not been received yet.

The artifacts chosen for this expenditure were an order form for supplies, furniture order form, and our corporation teacher hiring recommendation form.